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Safety First Will Cost \$5,000

Road Installing Device in American Fork That Will Make Railroad Accidents at Salt Lake Route Crossing Impossible.

The Orem Road has had a force of mechanics employed for the past two weeks under the direction of an expert, W. P. Crawford, installing an electrical interlocking device which will make accidents at the San Pedro crossing impossible. The installation will cost approximately \$5,000, \$3,500 of which is represented in the machinery and material, and \$1,500 in labor, when it is completed it will be of the best in existence.

The plant consists of a little house, which is located seven levers, 95 iron batteries and the electrical equipment. Besides this there is two hundred feet of one-inch galvanized pipe and several hundred feet of two-inch pipe enclosing the galvanized pipe where they cross the roads. The pipe is filled with oil to help smaller ones to move with ease, and the rods move on rollers placed every few feet. There are also five electric signals, the farthest being 4,000 feet from the tower at the crossing.

The first signal warns the oncoming San Pedro train if there is any danger or an interurban car on the crossing and if the danger is removed still is there. Another signal tells it when he gets 2,500 feet close.

In the meantime a lever in the tower house at the crossing has been derailed open and his train is ditched 500 feet before the crossing is reached, if he does not stop the signal and stop. When there is trouble or approaching interurban car, the San Pedro track is derailed and the engineer proceeds at slow speed without even stopping at the crossing. A derail is always on the interurban road on both sides of the crossing so that their wheels cannot cross at any time with the conductor stopping his car, or going inside, locking his door, or locking his door again.

After practice, this can be done in one half minute. The first lever at the door and throws the danger 4,000 feet away. Nos. 2 and 3 open the Pedro derail. Nos. 4 and 5 close the Orem derails, allowing their car to pass over the crossing. No. 6 pulls down all the signals and No. 7 opens the Orem derail and locks the door.

Connected with the device is a set of electrical machinery, batteries, etc., which help to operate the plant and make it impossible to take any part of the plant unless it is clear. If the conductor is locked in his little house and part of the outside machinery is to work, making it impossible for him to get out, there is a little mechanical time device which he may run down his door will open. Crawford expects to have the working in two more weeks.

DER RETIRES FROM CO-OP.

C. Snider has resigned his position with the American Fork Co-op for effect March 15th. Mr. Snider has been with the Co-op for the past three years, coming here from Brigham City. During the time the Sniders have resided in American Fork they have made many friends both in business and in a social way.

Cupid's Darts

George Logie, the popular singer of the Logie House, and Mr. H. Bradley, superintendent of the Stewart mine in American Fork, were married in Salt Lake Monday. Mr. Bradley has been in American Fork his headquarters and went to the mine in the canyon, but few people knew these visits were being prolonged because of cupid's darts.

Another matrimonial surprise was the wedding of Kenneth Ball and Miss Pearl Grant at Provo last Monday. The bride has been a popular American Fork High School student the past winter and the groom has been taking a course in the Pleasant Grove High School.

Le. or Oakley of Alpine, and Miss Dometile, Adams of American Fork, were the third surprise of the week. They were married Tuesday.

World's Professional Champions Coming

Professional Champion Basket Ball Team of New York Will Play a Game Here on Their Way to San Francisco.

Monday night there will be one of the greatest basket ball games that was ever played in American Fork. It will be the Professional Champions of New York against the Apollo team. There are twelve men in the New York aggregation, who are on their way to California to enter into some world-series games. So far as is now known, American Fork is the only city in Utah where they will play.

The Apollo team was reported to them as being the best team in the state is the reason for their coming to this city. So far they have never been defeated since commencing their trip to the west. It is costing considerably more money to get this team here than the Chicago team cost because of their being professionals. The Chicago team were champions in the amateur class, while the New York team is in the professional class.

There is some dispute as to which is the best basket ball team in the state. To settle this question the Apollo team has issued a challenge to the B. Y. U. team of Provo to play a series of three games, one each to be played in the team's home town and the third on a neutral floor. The B. Y. U. refuses to accept the challenge, the Apollo will claim the state championship.

Up-to-date the Apollo team has defeated every team with which they have played, though in the case of the B. Y. U., the B. Y. U. and the L. D. S. U., each team has a game to its credit.

The contest Monday will be some game.

Arrests Justice of Peace

Sheriff East came over to American Fork Tuesday and arrested Mr. Alvin Whitby of Alpine for battery committed on Henry Moyle. Mr. Whitby will be given a hearing before Judge Hunter of American Fork, Monday at 10 o'clock. In the meantime he is under bonds and at liberty. There will probably be a big attendance at the trial, because of the prominence of the two men.

It appears that the two men got into an altercation over the settlement of the Stephen Moyle estate, of which Henry Moyle is one of the trustees, and when the argument waxed warm, blows were struck. At any rate Mr. Moyle went to Provo Monday and swore to a complaint which caused the machinery of the law to be set in motion.

FARMERS ATTENTION!

There will be a farmers' meeting in the City Hall Wednesday evening March 17th, at 7:30 p. m. Mr. Chiles will be here to lecture on the benefits to be derived by the farmers by organization. The public is cordially invited.

W. J. CHADWICK, President.

GOOD WORK ON STREETS

Some mighty good work is being done on the roads by John Steggell, our city street supervisor who has had a team out dragging the roads this week. In this way, the ruts that are generally a nuisance in the spring are worked out and the dust is much less later in the season.

Main Street Improvements

Messrs Pulley and McElride are remodeling the Mrs. Hiram Adamson building on Main Street. When they are through the two store rooms will have large plate glass fronts, new roofs and raised ceilings. Several ap-

City Doubles Water Supply

Work On Experiment Well Develops Big Possibilities In Solving Supply for both Culinary and Irrigation Purposes.

Some gratifying and most important results are coming from the city's experiment in sinking for water in the creek bed near the old Robinson mill site. When work was stopped several months ago, the hole was 8 feet deep. Last week work was resumed and this depth has been doubled, with the result of also doubling the water supply, and today between one and two second feet of water are coming from the well, as much as is ordinarily used in the streams that are used to irrigate the city lots.

Two sets of eight feet staves have been used and the third set has been started. When the fourth set has been used a depth of thirty feet will have been reached, and those in charge of the work predict that the well will then be able to supply a continuous stream of at least three second feet, as much as is used in a big irrigation stream. At the rate that water is being sold by the Provo River Reservoir Co. water is worth \$8,000 per second foot. Taking this as a basis the city fathers think that \$150, their expenses to date, have been well spent.

The water in the well is about of the same grade as that now going into the city system. The supply that may be obtained from the well will about equal that now being used in the system. As it may be easily conveyed into the city's settling tank, the doubling of the city's culinary supply may be said to be an assured achievement.

The well has been going through gravel, but is now in quick sand.

Musical Treat Coming

The Hallowell Concert company, one of the finest musical organizations in the country, will give a concert in the Apollo Hall, Friday evening, March 19th.

This aggregation of musicians is composed of artists who are graduates of the best schools of America and of Europe; who are equally good in solo or orchestra work, who have left a chorus of praise and appreciation of their concerts wherever they have filled engagements. The management of the Apollo Hall are to be congratulated upon securing them for Friday evening next.

A Generous and Novel Advertising Feature

For a generous and unique advertising idea, the Bank of American Fork is to be commended. It is an exquisite "Baby Book" in five colors, and is being now delivered to those parents whose babies have arrived since the New Year.

The booklet is of 18 pages, each one a work of art, with spaces for a complete record of the important incidents of baby's life till five years of age, viz, "hour of birth," "physician and nurse," "name," "weight at birth," and on each succeeding birthday, "date christened," "grandparents," "brothers and sisters," "first tooth," "sat alone," "crept and walked," "first word spoken," etc., also date for first autograph and full page for other important events.

Accompanying the booklet is an announcement card requesting the parent to present the baby's name at the Bank and receive, without any obligation whatever, a Savings Account, in baby's name, and the Bank will deposit the first savings, one dollar as a birth present for the new citizen.

It is commendable idea and should appeal to the parents as a lesson of thrift to be early instilled in the child's mind.

As the bank intends to continue this feature for the year, at least, it is to be hoped that you, dear reader, may be entitled to receive one of these little gifts in your home.

Practical Protection For Bird Life

Local Jeweler and School Children Planning Better Homes to Increase Desirable Birds.

In James Martin's Jewelry window is an exhibition of bird houses which delects more than passing notice, both because of the artistic beauty of the houses and because of the object back of their building. The larger one contains ten rooms, accommodations for ten pairs of birds.

The smallest one is meant for a single pair. In building these houses one must know the habits of the birds, else the pestiferous little English sparrow would monopolize them. The sparrow requires a larger entrance than the more desirable birds and it will not nest in a swinging house. Knowing this, J. H. Martin, the young man who built the houses, has constructed the larger house with small openings so that it may become the home of the wren, the blue bird, or the purple martin which live in those parts. These species also like swinging nests, which the sparrow avoids. Mr. Martin has also planted some mulberry trees on his lot that the birds may have food. He says that if the birds can get mulberry trees they will not eat the cherries.

But the Martin's have gone much farther than building a few artistic houses themselves. They have half of the boys in town building bird houses. A beautiful gold watch is offered as a prize to the school boy who builds the best house. The result is that the manual training quarters in the high school is going from morning until night with boys working for that prize.

The girls too are in the game, for a beautiful fountain pen is offered for the best essay by a school girl or school boy who writes the best essay on bird life.

Dr. J. H. Paul's lecture on birds in the City Hall this week, came at a most opportune time in connection with the movement among the school boys and girls.

Sylvia

The Beautiful Pastoral Operetta by W. Rhys Herbert.

An interesting story of amusing incidents and delightful episodes connected with thrilling experience. Sylvia, maid of honor to the Queen, is betrothed to Sir Bertram DeLacey the court poet. Betty, the peasant girl is betrothed to the honest farmer, William. The girls become tired of their sweethearts and wander into a hay field; there they meet and decide to change gowns and sweethearts for the day.

Aided by the charm of the flower cupid's eye, they deceive their sweethearts; after the day of much adventure and thrilling experience they conclude to each be contented.

This story is told in interesting dialogue and beautiful music, solos, duets, quartette and chorus by the High School chorus consisting of about 40 persons.

Cast of Characters.

Sylvia Ruby Wootton
Betty Dorothy Chipman
Arabella Arvilla Christensen
Araminta Myrta Wootton
Polly Myrtle Coddington
Molly Verdel Webb
Dolly Lenore Forbes
Sir Bertram DeLacey Myron Chipman
William Victor Nicholas
Prince Tobbytum Vern Houston
Chorus of hay makers and peasants.
Ernest M. W. Jones Musical Director.
C. W. Whitaker, Mgr.

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Evening Performance, 8:15, Admission 15c, 25c and 35c.

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